POWDER PARALYSIS.

ANALYSIS SHOWS DANGER WOMEN REN WHO USE PRETTY VANITY.

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Name Beautiful Gowns-An English Fad-The Spinning-Wheel in Royal Circles-Embroidered Collars for New York Swells,

(Written for the Dispatch.)

When I wrote you last week I spoke of the advantages to be derived from the use of a little face powder, explaining ome length how it is possible to add greatly to the appearance in this manner. set have it impossible for the sterner nox to discern the excusable deception, even be the eye ever so keen. Now, I m still of the same opinion, holding that woman is justified in doing all she can that is harmless to add to her appearand what I am now about to say of wders must not be taken as at all ng with my previous statements. only ask pardon for not warning

are of using face powders. Do not that I am trying to alarm you, for, I explain the many serious results careless use of this feminine vanwill find that you have been un-when I may beware of face pow-mean be most careful of the kind powder you use, for there are ad I am sorry to say, a large of those that are sold, which only ruin your skin, but which, used, will lead to far more seriskin diseases certainly, and bly, paralysis of some of the

er your race, net has been known to the medical or a long time, but the evil was ought more prominently before the at a meeting of hair-dressers in They made an investigation of the tinds of face-powder in use, and coveries were of so startling a that they even went so far as to islative action in order to abuses in existence. This fact the subject more prominently bein the subject, and now the any person foolish enough to ruin their health, after a word of warning, does so with the full knowledge of the

owders used in "the good old days" ade, for the most part, out of pow-ice, but now it is found that the asjority are only a composition of nite lead, starch, and alabaster. Many not all, of these powders are rendered pensive, and, incidentally, attractive, expensive, and, incidentally, attractive, ewing to their being doctored up with a variety of perfumes, such as fris, attar of roso, bergamot, orange essence, and others of a like character. The metallic ingredients to be found are usually carbonate of bismuth, white lead, and arsenic, and the frequency with which paralysis of the muscles follows the use of white lead is so well known as to make it scarcely necessary for me to dwell upon less injurious. The idea that the deadly drug is good for the skin is one of the cravest of mistakes. Only recently a very dear friend of mine lost her little baby. English society has now a new fad. It polsoned by the use of "violet" powder which contained 35 per cent. of white the spinning wheel, and it is pleasing to note that the fad in this instance is useful. For its readoption has not been stances of this case were they not fraught brought about to ornament the house with such and recoilections. It is also on tecord that a number of children were results to be a sometimes lazy society women something

New in using powder, always be sure that it is pure. And this may usually be accomplished by buying the cheapest kind in the market. Never mind the perfume. If you wish the odor, wipe your face over with a perfumed cloth before you apply your powder, and you will get the desired result. Of the various kinds of powder I must leave you to choose for yourself. If the powder is the powder in the case our "upper ten" the powder is the powder in the case our "upper ten" the powder is the powder in the case our "upper ten" the powder is the powder in the powder is the powder in the powder. The powder is the powder is the powder in the powder in the powder is not complete without one of these ancient contrivances.

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The Duchess of Fife makes use of her wheel to spin the year with which she afterwards knits her humband's golf-result. If the powder is the powder is the powder is not complete without one of these ancient contrivances. follow my example, you will make own out of pure powdered rice or W GOWNS THAT I HAVE SEEN.

you could only have been at my side on I inspected a number of new gowns at a friend of mine has just brought me from Paris, I am sure the slight of envy you possess would have oped into a large-sized fiame. They all marvels of beauty. My friend ted for her good taste, and under icomstances will ever wear anything is not the very latest in style; and, ms a purse long enough to gratify whim-as the men call it-she has ourse, a modern wardrobe. Her re-visit to the gay French capital was e with the express purpose of in-ting and securing the latest models in this way she spent two weeks

skirts of these gowns are in nearery case most elaborately trimmed. latter style is the only fault that and with the tollettes, and this because they would not show to advantage the figure of a small woman. And we must consider the small woman in giving the stamp of approval to any style that in to reign, for there are quite a number of them, myself included.

The first of the gowns I inspected was of Venitian cloth in a new shade of grass green. It had three bands of chin-

chilla by way of trimming, arranged in deep Vandyke points, the bands being about a quarter of a yard spart and encircling the skirt in a horizontal direction. The bodice is not like anything I ever saw before. It has a deep corselet of jewelled passementerie on cream satin, smail emeralds repeating the green of the cloth, surrounded by a mass of tiny brilliants and sliver sequins. Sequins, by the way, are becoming daily more fashionable. But, to continue with the gown: Below the jewelled corselet the gown: Below the jewelled corselet there are some quaint little basques of cloth bordered with chinchilla, while above there is a cloth bolero very trimity cut, and edged with chinchilla. 'Round the armholes are gray bands of soft fur, while epaulettes of plain cloth, and very full, are of a somewhat different shade white epaulettes of plain cloth, and very full, are of a somewhat different shade of green. The sleeves fit quite tightly from the shoulder to the wrist, a sure warning that the day of the balloon sleeve is over. The centre of the front of the bodice is finished in the daintiest manner imaginable, with a bow of white satin at the throat, and a jabot of fine cream lace, a second bow of the satin being placed where the jabot ends. Altogether, the composition is a masterpiece, and makes a superb toflet for a woman with a dignified carriage. I supwoman with a dignified carriage. I sup-pose that I should look a fright in it, and I must confess that I found some comfort in the thought.

Another gown is made most effective by the graceful use of Astrachan, the skirt being of supphire blue cloth arranged in a series of graduated panels, each edged with strips of fur running from the waist to the hem. A deep band of dark-blue velvet encircles the waist, the upper part of the bodice being of chine silk, arranged in deep tucks, running herizontally, and designed to have the appearance of scat-USE OF ASTRACHAN. deep tucks, running herizontally, and designed to have the appearance of scattered corn-flower blossoms and green leaves, on a foundation of the paiest tea-rose yellow. Strange to say, there is nothing but the most perfect harmony in these shades. The dainty bodies is half concealed under a double bolero of dark-blue cloth, each zouave being edged with Asirachan and cut into a sharp point. The sleeves are cut in three leaf-like epaulettes, cut in points like the bolero, and edged with a tiny strip of for.

The tailor-made gown of the collection of nut-brown cloth has a skirt that fits closely to the figure from the waist to the knees. It is trimmed just below the knees with three bands of sable, the fur encircling the skirt, and the bands being about six inches apart. Below the bottom row of fur is placed a full, deep flounce of brown cloth which sets off a pretty foot in a most charming manner. The bodice is made in a tight-fitting shape with short full basques bordered with sable, and neatly cut cloth revers edged with sable, and turned back to show a waistcoat of Louis-Seize brocade, the floral design being worked out in small silver sequins. This is a model that will suit almost any kind of figure, and it is a particularly smart looking model.

There were also two lovely princess dresses. Now a princess gown is one of foot in a most charming manner.

dresses. Now a princess gown is one of the most perfect styles of dress, if there is a perfect figure underneath, or it a figure can be made shapely by judicious padding, but such a garment on a weinan who is naturally angular and thin to my mind is a perfect abomination. We, in America, I am pleased to say, are aware of all these things, and Dame Fashion allows us to dress accordingly, as long as we keep in range of the leading style. The styles of princess robe are being carried over into the summer gowns, and for those who can wear them I cannot recommend anything prettier. SOCIETY'S LATEST FAD.

cord that a number of children were re-nity poisoned in France in the same anner. Now in using powder, always be sure

bicyclists wearing home made ho which, of course, will be far superior sality to the store goods, even the most For my part I think the fad an excel-

lent one, and every one knows a spinning-wheel is a most decorative object.

EMBRQIDERED COLLARS FOR SWELLS.

Our London correspondent writes that celebrated London firm has brought out and introduced the idea and design of out and introduced the idea and design of embroidering the collars of gentiemen's coats for evening wear. These are being beautifully worked, and having seen and examined some of their specimens, I am not surprised to find that they have proved so attractive that, as I am given to understand the demand for these understand, the demand for these emproideries is almost greater than the supply at present. The idea seems to have thoroughly "taken," and one great merit greatly to be appreciated is that it is not likely to be copied by any but the rich, owing to the increase of expense due to the artistic decoration and

1. Evening gown of black and white striped silk with a floral pattern in white meandering down each stripe. The bodice has a vest of roseate silk, white meandering down each stripe. The bodice has a vest of roseate silk, white meandering down each stripe. The bodice has a vest of roseate silk, is a fold of roseate velvet, tied at the top into a bow.

2. Evening dress of pale pink net over palest pink satin, trimmed with fills odged with Valenciennes lace. The bodice is made of pleated net and frills odged with the frills and lace again, tied with ribbon. It is soft and dainty to a degree.



The ribbon over the shoulders and the sash bow at the back

and worn by all those who wish to be up-to-date in dress. They are a very great improvement on the usually uninteresting dress coats that have been worn for so long. A visit to a swell New York tallor already a number of orders for these embroidered collars.

CLARKE COUNTY.

The Cold Snap-Many Persons Sick-Horse Disease.

BERRYVILLE, VA., January 30 .- (Special.)-By far the coldest weather experienced here this winter has prevailed, uninterruptedly, all this week. The mercury has almost touched the zero mark every night since Sunday, and has not risen higher than freezing point at any time during the day. Ice six inches thick has formed on all still water, and thick has formed on all still water, and the Shenandoah river, in many places, is frozen from bank to bank, affording fine sport for skaters, who have availed themselves of the unusual opportunity of smooth ice on the river, and have turned out in large numbers despite the bitter cold. Because of the ice on the river, the stage carrying mail and passengers from Winchester to Round Hill has been unable for several days to proceed further on its way than Castleman's Ferry. Snow fell on Wednesday to a depth of about four inches, the heaviest snowfall here this season, and was snowfall here this scason, and was drifted by high winds on Wednesday night and Thursday, until it was two or three feet deep in some places, while exposed points were entirely bare.

The feet.

A dent Desks height. MANY PERSONS SICK.

There has been a great deal of sickness in Clark county lately, chiefly the grip, which has amounted almost to an epidemic. The stype of the disease is not so severe nor the results so fatal as inch. Knittingin former years, but few families are without one or more sick ones.

The fourth quarterly meeting of the Berryville Circuit of the Methodist Episters (Circuit of the Methodist Episters). The viper ground in the state of the s

Berryvine Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held at Berryville Saturday and Sunday, January 20th and 31st. Elder Duffy will preside and a full attendance of the members of the circuit is anticipated.

A peculiar and very fatal disease has

A peculiar and very fatal disease has attacked the horses in this neighborhood lately, and the veterinarians seem unable to cope successfully with it. The symtoms are similar to those of glanders, and yet vary sufficiently to make the treatment for glanders of no avail. Mr. A 10-1 W. T. Milleson, living near Berryville. W. T. Milleson, living near Berryville, 22.74 barrels, lost three fine work horses this week from this disease, and others are sufferant inch.

will begin on Monday next, Feb-1st. The term will probably be a one, as the docket of cases is small. 14 hands. Mr. C. W. McDonald, of Berryville, has accepted the position of assistant instructor at Clay-Hill Academy, near Millwood, in Clarke county, and will commence his duties on Monday next.

14 hands.

The average waist of woman is from 2 to 23 inches.

The duodecimo page measures 7 by inches wide.

The foolscap octave page is 7 inches long PERSONAL

Dr. George H. Oliver, of Berryville, is bination of diseases.

Ill with a combination of diseases.

Mr. W. Cabell Moore, of the University of Virginia, is spending a few days with his parents at "Cleft Oak."

United-States-Marshal G. W. Levi, whose office is at Lynchburg, spent several days with his family here this week.

Mr. Maurice Schener is a student at Ervant and Stratton's Business College, deep will hold a bushel. Bryant and Stratton's Business College, Mrs. Lucy Funsten, of White Post, is

Mrs. Lucy Funsten, of White Post, is visiting friends in Norfolk.

Mr. John F. Sowers, of Clarke county, shipped lately three car-loads of fine cattle to Philadelphia, and received good prices for them.

Mr. Richard E. Stuart, of White Post, is meeting a position at the latter place. Colonel John J. Riely is quite sick with the grip.

If the wasp from a medicine-dropper make one spoonful.

The old-fashioned copper, or 1-cent-place, was a little more than an inch. The 5-cent nickel-piece is exactly 2-4 of an inch in diameter.

The wasp is about an inch in length, with a wing-spread of 13-4 inches. The average height 13-4 inches.

The average height, 1411-2 pounds.

The animal that has given a nickname.

visit to relatives in Alexandria and Nor- to the people of Wisconsin is 21-2 feet formerly used on the robes of judges, Mr. E. Wickham Byrd, left Wednesday morning on a ducking expedition to James river. Mrs. W. A. Bradford has returned

from a visit to friends at Shenandoah Mr. J. S. Powers visited friends in

Washington this week, Mr. W. T. Milton is visiting Rev. Ro-bert K. Massie, at Upperville, Va.

(St Louis Globe-Democrat.) A span is 9 inches. A hand is 4 inches. A size in collars is 1 inch.

The nail is 21-2 inches long.

A nautical knot is 6,100 fgct. A size in cuffs is half an inch. A size in cuffs is half an inch.
A quarter of cloth is 9 inches.
The royal 32mo. is 5 by 3 inches.
A royal quarto page is 121-2 by 15
One hundred quarts make a cask.
The royal 24mo, page is 51-2 by 31-2.
A square 16mo, page is 41-2 by 31-2.
A square 16mo, page is 41-2 by 31-2. The hedgehog is 10 inches in length.
A royal octavo volume is 101-2 by 61-2.
The ordinary pin is about 1 inch long.
A pace is considered to be about 2 feet.
The medium octavo is 21-2 by 6 inches.

The 48mo, paged volume is 33-4 by 21-4 A size in finger-rings is 1-16 of an inch. A bushel is equal to 2150.42 cubic inches. One hundred spoonfuls make one quart. The moccasin is from 18 inches to 2 A demy folio volume is 18 by 11 inches. Desks are from 25 to 30 inches in

The ordinary human nose is 2 inches The common red fox is from 11-2 to 2 pi- 'A size in stockings is three-quarters of is an inch.

Knitting-needles are usually 9 inches in The average ear is from 2 to 21-2 in-The viper grows from 2 to 31-2 feet in

The average cigar is from 4 to 6 inches American mole is about 6 inches The crown octave page is 71-2 by 41-2

A royal folio volume has a page 9 by 12 Type are slightly less than 1 inch in A 10-foot bin or 10 feet square, holds The double eagle, in gold, is 17-20ths of

Robert Brotherton, a young son of Mrs. Gertrude Brotherton, of Clark county, while suffering from an attack of epilepsy on Tuesday, fell on a hot stove and was hadly burned.

The February term of Clark Circuit Court will begin on Monday part Eab.

A cable, in nautical parlance, means 120 fathoms.

The middle finger is from 31-2 to 4 inches in length.

The half-dollar is 13-16ths of an inch in diameter.

A demy 24mo, page 18 5 inches long by

The average height of the horse is about The average waist of woman is from 22

The foolscap octave page is 7 inches long by 4 in width. The common garter snake is from 18 inches to 3 feet A railroad passenger coach is from 50 to

A 1-cent bronze piece is three-quarters of an inch in diameter.

A box 22 inches by 121-4 and 8 inches deep will hold a bushel. The ordinary blacksnake, or racer, is from 5 to 7 feet long. One hundred drops from a medicine-dropper make one spoonful. The old-fashioned copper, or 1-cent-

The animal that has given a nickname

A newspaper column is 21-4 inches is 10 inches long. The wolf is from 21-2 to 3 feet in length, and from 6 to 7 in height, although elephants of 10 feet in height tength, and stands about 18 inches high.
The average height of woman is 5 feet
inches; her weight, 1241-2 pounds.
The rattlesnake is from 2 to 6 feet

long; his rattles are from 1 to 6 inches. The incisor-teeth of man are seldom nore than 1-4 of an inch long. A box 22x15 inches and 24 inches deep contains a barrel of three heaped bushels.

The hyena is about the size of an or-dinary Newfoundland dog-from 3 to 31-2

the body of the ordinary antelope is

The human eye is from 1 to 13-12 wide, and, in a perfectly proportioned face, the distance between the eyes is equal to the width of one.

The body of the ordinary antelope is now disused in most cities, were about 10 will contain a barrel of 21-2 heaped bush-31-4 feet long, exclusive of head and The regulation length for lead-pencils

is 7 inches, and 3-8 of an inch in thick-Thimbles are from 5-8 to 1 inch high. A size in thimbles is about 1-8 of an

The common dromedary is from 6 to 7 feet long, and from 5 to 6 feet in The Hon, though he stands no higher than a large mastiff, is from 6 to 8 feet

in length.

Canes vary in height, according to the size of the individual using them, from

tip of the tail is about 54 inches; from the tip of the tail is about 54 inches; from the tip of the bills to the claws, about 65 in length, though specimens 2 feet long inches, while his wings are often as much as 22 inches in their spread. Cranes have A size in shoes is 1-3 of an inch.

No. 12 shoe, made on an F last, is 141-4 inches long.

The lenses for spectacles are about 15-8 inches in their greatest and 1 inch in their

least diameter.

The anaconda is from 12 to 25 feet. Boas and pythons, of 30 to 40 feet, however, are numerous. Sculptors say that the perfectly-propor

Sculptors say that the perfectly-proportioned mouth is three-quarters of the length of the nose.

A thousand shingles, laid 4 inches to the weather, are required to cover 100 superficial feet of roof.

The vultures of the tropics are 3 feet in length, and have a spread of wings between 3 and 10 feet.

In a perfectly-proportioned human form the entire figure is seven times the length of the head.

The common bat of this country is from 4 to 5 inches long, with a spread of wing from 10 to 12 inches.

The seat of an ordinary chair is 18

inches from the floor. Luxurious church pews are 2 to 3 inches lower. A size in bracelets is about 1 inch. A No. 7—that is, 7 inches in circumference, is taken as the standard.

The tongue in man averages 3 inches; in woman, the length is indeterminate, and sometimes interminable. The little finger is from 21-3 to 3 inches. The thumb is commonly about the same length as the little finger.

The common house-fly is from one-fourths to three-eighths of an inch long, his wings spreading about half an inch-The great toe is from 1 to 13-4 inches in The great toe is from 1 to 13-4 inches in length. The little toe is frequently less than three fourths of an inch.

The flying squirrel is 6 inches in length; his "wings" are merely thin membranes connecting the fore and hind legs.

The hand of the man of average size is from 5 to 8 inches in length; that of the

The hand of the man of average size is from 6 to 8 inches in length; that of the woman from 1 to 12-4 inches smaller. The smallest-sized scissors have blades a little less than 1 inch in length; the largest hand-shears exceed 2 feet.

The finest needles are about 1 inch in length. A needle for sewing with coarse thread is from 11-2 to 2 inches in length. Giraftes are from 15 to 16 feet from the ground to the tip of their horns. Specimens from 18 to 25 feet have been known.

The Bengal tiger, though only 4 feet high, is from 8 to 9 feet in length. A specimen of this size will weigh 800 rounds.

The ermine which furnishes the furnishes the furnishes the firm ermine which furnishes

n. J. M., Chesterfield... Henry C., Richmond ...

have been numerous.

Coat buttons are from 3-4 to 1 inch in diameter. The large-sized ornamental buttons, used on ladles' dresses are from 11-4 to 11-2 inches. The hippopotamus of the Congo and Niger is from 10 to 20 feet in length. Specimens of the latter dimensions are

y no means uncommon.
The human eye is from 1 to 13-8 inches

feet in length; the electric-cars of the latest build are from 40 to 46 feat. The average-sized spool for sewing-thread is 2 inches high and 11-2 inches

in diameter at the ends. A spool of thread means about 200 yards. The dollar of our daddles is exactly 11-2 inches in diameter. The trade dollar and the standard dollar are of the same diameter, although the dollar of trade is slightly thicker.

The common American deer is from 4 to 5 feet in length, and it is a singular fact that the antiers of some species have a greater breadth than the length of the animal's body.

The crane is an interesting creature, Umbrellas are sized according to the from his dimensions, if for nothing else, length of rib, this varying from 24 to 28. The length of his neck and body to the

WHO GET PENSIONS.

LIST OF THOSE IN AND AROUND

AMOUNTS GIVEN BY THE STATE.

They Range from \$15 to \$100, \$40 Being Invariably the Sum Paid to Widows-How They Are Graded.

Mr. E. L. C. Scott, the dignified functionary who presides over the pension lists in the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts of Virginia, is about as busy a man as any one in the State Library building. There are upon the pension-books of Virginia about 1,300 names, and the total sum appropriated to these persons is \$130,000 per annum. The allowances are based upon the nature of the injuries received by the person on whose account the pension is given. Where the beneficiary is a widow, she is allowed \$40, and the sums distributed range from \$15 to \$100. A considerable portion of this \$130,000 goes to maimed Confederate soldiers, or their widows who reside in and around Blob. widows, who reside in and around Rich-

mond.

The annual report of the Auditor of Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1836, contains a list of the names of all persons receiving pensions from the State, showing the address of and the amount paid to each beneficiary. Below are given the names of the pensioners who reside in this city, and Manchester, and in Henrico and Chesterfield counties: Chesterfield counties:

Harman, John W. Richmond
Johnson, J. M., Chesterfield
Johnson, J. M., Chesterfield
Jordan, Henry A., Manchester
Johnson, Mary A., Manchester
Johnson, W. T., Richmond
Johnson, W. T., Richmond
Johnson, W. T., Richmond
Johnson, W. T., Richmond
Lockett, Martha A., Chesterfield
Lockett, Martha A., Chesterfield
Luck, J. N., Chesterfield
Michell, Sarah F., Manchester
Meiton, Mathew, Henrico
Moseley, E. M., Richmond city
Moseley, E. M., Richmond city
Marsh, Sarah J., Richmond city
Marsh, Sarah J., Richmond city
More, J. E., Chesterfield
Marable, Champion, Manchester
Owens, Charlotte M., Manchester
Owens, Charlotte M., Manchester
Overby, James Wyatt, Chesterfield
Puckett, Susan E., Chesterfield
Puckett, Susan E., Chesterfield
Puckett, Susan E., Chesterfield
Puckett, Winifred, Chesterfield
Puckett, Susan E., Chesterfield
Statton, Richard, Chesterfield
Parr, William McK., Henrico
Patrum, Richard, Chesterfield
Smith, Doza A., Richmond
Smith, Martha S., Chesterfield
Smith, Martha S., Chesterfield
Smith, Martha S., Chesterfield
Totty, George W., Chesterfield
Totty, George W., Chesterfield
Totty, George W., Chesterfield
Temple, Susan J., Manchester
Taylor, Robert J., Chesterfield
Temple, Susan J., Manchester
Taylor, Robert J., Chesterfield
Temple, Susan J., Manchester
Taylor, Daniel Cs, Manchester
Taylor, Robert J., Chesterfield
Waldrop, Joseph N., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico
Williamson, John T., Chesterfield
Waldrop, Joseph N., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico
Williamson, John T., Chesterfield
Waldrop, Joseph N., Henrico
Williamson, Martha A., Henrico



Theatre toilette of lavender cloth with gold embroidered by This entirely novel design has the upper portion cut in bolero shat enough to display a wide draped waist band of lavender satin. It the mediaeval sleeves are of satin to match, also the pleated of the Elizabethan frill around the neck. Pleated satin fills up the large at the top of the bodice.